

## MaineDOT Interagency Meeting

**Tuesday, February 10, 9:00 – 3:00**

MaineDOT Main Conference Room (Room 216)

<http://www.mdot/mdot/interagency-meetings/interagency-meetings.php>

### Agenda

9:00 – 10:00 **Aroostook Study. Presented by Ray Faucher, MaineDOT**

Purpose: update the agencies on what has been done since we last met and focus on potential project(s) that will be proposed in the "Tiered" FEIS

Goals: seek feedback from the agencies on areas that may need refining in the FEIS with respect to the proposed projects.

10:00 – 10:15 **Break**

10:15 - 12:00 **Retreat**

12:00 – 12:30 **Lunch (provided)**

12:30 – 3:00 **Retreat Continued**

### Retreat

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  - Logistics
  - Planning
  - How to promote substantive discussions (project basis)
  - How to provide interactive format to include public discussion with resource agencies on projects
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  - GIS data base information sharing

**Next Interagency Meeting will be March 8th.**

## Interagency Retreat

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Hello! Hope the winter is treating you well. We would like to invite you to an "Interagency Retreat". As many of you know, we have been conducting Interagency Meetings on a monthly basis for at least 14 years!!! At a recent National Transit Institute Linking Planning and NEPA Pilot Course, it was requested (by many Interagency attendees) that we breath new life into this time-honored institution. Therefore, at our next regularly scheduled Interagency Meeting (**Tuesday, February 10, beginning at 9:00 at MaineDOT**) we will conduct a Retreat totally devoted to improving this great opportunity to communicate and share information. A draft agenda looks like this:

**Retreat Topic: Make the Monthly Interagency Meeting More Productive (Lunch provided)**

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Your input to this draft agenda would be appreciated and more importantly, **your RSVP to attend and actively participate in this Retreat is extremely important to make it a success!** Please invite other people from your agencies that would also benefit from this Interagency Retreat.

**Please RSVP by Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup>.** Hope to hear from you soon, Duane and David